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## DESCRIBES HIS RAPID DESCENT

### Aeronaut Forbes Not Seriously Hurt In Accident

Companion, J. C. Yates, New York Clubman And Amateur Astronomer, Sought Better View Of Halley's Comet From Point High In Clouds And Professes To Have Attained Desired End—Disaster Was Due To Ripping Of Balloon's Gas Bag

Horse Cave, Ky., May 12.—A. Holland Forbes, who won the Lahm cup at the St. Louis balloon races in 1909, and James H. Yates, amateur astronomer and wealthy clubman of New York, were found in the log cabin of Joseph Bastin, a Green county farmer. They were badly battered, bruised, but not seriously injured as a result of their sudden descent from the clouds.

Mr. Forbes said he wanted to break the record held by Count Delaunay, who covered a distance of 1,393 miles in 1909 and that of Colonel Schreck, who in 1899 remained in the air 72 hours.

His companion had another purpose. Mr. Yates is wealthy, and has a liking for astronomy. The ascent from Quincy was his initial experience in aeronautics. He had with him a telescope and photographic apparatus, and his chief desire was to learn something new about Halley's comet. While he does not claim to have learned any of the family secrets of the wanderer, Mr. Yates believes he secured some remarkable pictures taken at a height of about 18,000 feet.

Forbes Tells Story. After describing the ascent from Quincy, Ill., Monday evening, and the zigzag aerial path pursued by the balloon, in which the Mississippi and Missouri rivers were crossed, until an easterly current was struck, which carried them to the spot where they made a sudden landing, Mr. Forbes told the following story of the accident:

"In descending we had very little wind left, and as the gas contracted the balloon bag became extremely flabby. Everything, however, went well until we were a few hundred feet above the ground, when the appendix line broke loose from the ring supporting the basket. There was so little gas in the bag at the time that the rigging collapsed and, with the basket attached, naturally dropped. This caused the rip cord, which is attached to the ring, to rip open the balloon at the height of 300 feet from the ground. I can not describe the sensation of that 300 feet to the ground. It came so suddenly.

"I have a faint recollection of seeing men below me in a plowed field and subconsciously trying, it seemed, to tilt up the basket that Mr. Yates and I might spring free from the rigging when close to the ground. Because the basket did not tilt as it would have done under ordinary circumstances, was the cause of our injury.

Stunned For Moment.

"For a moment I was stunned by the impact, when I awakened and

saw two or three men coming to our aid. They extricated us and on improvised litters we were carried to this house. I tell you we were so badly shaken up we could not move."

Yates did not have much to say about the new experience. He declared he was yet in a condition of wonderment. "This is not going to be my last ride, however," he affirmed. "I certainly got a fine view of the comet about 2:45 o'clock."

#### NOW BELIEVES IN DREAMS

Wife of Aeronaut Saw Accident In Horrible Nightmare.

Bridgeport, Conn., May 12.—Mrs. Julia Livingstone Forbes, wife of A. Holland Forbes, the aeronaut, told a remarkable story of receiving a premonition of her husband's disaster in Kentucky. "I experienced the most horrible nightmare," said Mrs. Forbes. "I could see my husband and Mr. Yates in the car of their balloon as if they were in great distress. They called for assistance, and I seemed to be powerless to help them. I felt that they were adrift without food or drink, unable to reach the ground or to get help from any source. They seemed to rise through the clouds out of sight, then to reappear, and their cries were borne to my ears with the most frightful realism. Then they seemed to drop suddenly. I could see their balloon burst and their dash towards the earth. They were just about to strike when I awoke. My screams aroused the household, and though my maid rushed into my bedroom, I could not be made to believe for several minutes that it was all an awful dream."

Mrs. Forbes sent a servant for a morning paper, and when she read the headlines that made her dream a reality she swooned. Later she received a telegram from her husband stating that he had landed in Kentucky and would be home Tuesday.

## HEINZE TRIAL NEARS END

New York, May 12.—The fate of Fritz Augustus Heinze will be in the hands of the jury tonight, in all probability. The defense rested rather unexpectedly and the trial was adjourned until this morning, when the summing up by the attorneys began.

## PROMOTED A MARRIAGE AND SUES FOR SERVICE

Pittsburg, May 12.—That John O. A. Leishman, American ambassador at Rome, with his daughter sought the advice of learned American counsel on the matter of a titled husband years ago in France, was set forth here in a statement filed by O. F. Bodington of Paris. Bodington recently asked that the Pittsburg bank

account of Leishman be attached while he proceeded with a suit to collect a balance of \$5,500 which he claims is yet due him for his services in securing for Miss Martha Leishman the titled Count de Gontaut-Blon for a husband, and other services.

### President Taft and Governor Hughes Pose For Their Picture



CLINEDINST WASHINGTON, D.C.

People throughout the country are waiting anxiously to see what stand Governor Charles Evans Hughes will take regarding the Standard Oil and tobacco trust cases at present pending decision in the United States supreme court. Governor Hughes will not take his office until Oct. 1. While a protest was filed by the Anti-trust League of the United States with the senate against confirming his nomination, Governor Hughes was given the official O. K. without any protest on the part of the senators.

## GERMANS RESENT HONOR CONFERRED ON ROOSEVELT

Berlin, May 12.—Outwardly Roosevelt's visit to Berlin has been marked by quietude and privacy, in strange contrast to the publicity displayed in other cities. The fact that King Edward is lying dead in London is responsible for this most unaccustomed calm. German organizations of all sorts abandoned their plans for deputations and receptions on this account. Everything, in short, is being placed with the soft pedal, but there is a troubled undercurrent which is probably stronger and more disturbed than in any other place.

### TRAIN HELD UP BY TWO LONE BANDITS

Deputy Sheriff Surrenders Guns Same as Others.

Phoenix, Ariz., May 12.—All passengers to the number of 17, together with the conductor and brakeman, on a Southern Pacific train were held up by two men who boarded the train with the passengers at Maricopa. They went first to the smoking car, where one robber stood in the door and covered the passengers while the other went through the car. A deputy sheriff from Globe, conveying two prisoners to the penitentiary, had his gun taken, and all the guns of the other passengers were taken. The robbers then went to the rear coach, containing mostly women, and took all their money. The robbers were young men, apparently cowboys, and did not molest the express car. The sheriff from Tucson was in Phoenix and as, with

the sheriff from Phoenix and a large posse with horses, left Phoenix an hour later on a special train for the scene of the robbery, which is on an Indian reservation.

Roosevelt Accepts Honor.

Washington, May 12.—Colonel Roosevelt will be the special representative of the United States at the funeral of King Edward VII, which, according to official reports, has been set for May 20. Official announcement to this effect was made at the White House. President Taft had intended to wait until notified officially through the British embassy of the date of the funeral, but decided to make his cable message to Colonel Roosevelt and the latter's reply public. The message of the president was short, but that of the former chief executive was even more brief, consisting of the single word, "Accept."

Supreme Court Has Case.

Columbus, O., May 12.—Tomorrow the supreme court will decide whether or not Senator Dick's name is entitled to a place on the ballot at the primaries to be held throughout Ohio May 17. The case was carried up from the circuit court of Cuyahoga county, which had decided in the senator's favor.

## TAYLOR AND WEBBER IN A HOT FIGHT

Columbus, O., May 12.—"I don't say that Webber is an ingrate, but I know what I think," Congressman E. L. Taylor made this declaration shortly after stepping off the train from Washington.

Taylor jumped into the fray at once by dictating a 2,500-word reply to Webber, in which he defended his record in congress, his attitude toward Cannonism, his reputation as "Santa Claus" for this district and his vote for the Payne-Aldrich tariff

bill. He contended that he is a reactionary, declaring himself in harmony with the progressive policies of President Taft.

Congressman Taylor is being opposed for re-nomination in the Twelfth district by Prosecuting Attorney Karl Webber, who is making his campaign on the allegation that Taylor is against Cannon in Columbus and for him in Washington, and that he voted wrong on the Payne-Aldrich tariff bill.

## NAMES CONSIDERED

Columbus, O., May 12.—Among the names mentioned for positions on the new state tax commission created by the Langdon bill are those of Former Governor James E. Campbell, John Laughlin of Paulding, who is in the office of Secretary of State Thompson as a Willis law tax collector. The name of Allen Ripley Foote, secretary of the state board of commerce, is also prominently mentioned in connection with the new commission.

## MANGLED BY LION

Cleveland, Tenn., May 12.—A trained lion that was being exhibited on an open stage here snatched a babe from the arms of its mother, dashed it to the back of the stage, dashed it to the floor and planted both his forepaws on the little one's body. Licking the blood from the wounds on the babe's head and face, The keeper finally succeeded in getting the lion back into his cage and recovering the child, which is in a serious condition.

## OFFICERS OF K. OF C.

Toledo, O., May 12.—With the election of officers and the selection of Sandusky as the next meeting place the state convention of the Knights of Columbus adjourned. The new officers are: State deputy, Thomas J. Duffy, East Liverpool; state secretary, J. P. McCarthy, Youngstown; state treasurer, J. D. Hymus, New Lexington; state advocate, W. T. Duffy, Napoleon; state warden, Edward A. Sawkins, Toledo; state chaplain, Rev. Joseph F. Shith, Cleveland.

#### Town Topics.

New York burglars took a safe out into the street to blow and ride it. It must have been Wall street.—Detroit Journal.

Boston now leads Philadelphia as a port, and the axis of the universe sticks out of the gilded dome on Beacon hill a little higher.—New York World.

The ratio of population to bathtubs in St. Louis is 14 to 1. There's no heaven born quality about that ratio. It ought to diminish. It is diminishing.—St. Louis Republic.

#### LIVE STOCK AND GRAIN

EAST BUFFALO—Cattle: Export cattle, \$7 00@8 15; shipping steers, \$7 40@7 70; butcher cattle, \$6 75@7 75; heifers, \$5 50@7 25; fat cows, \$4 00@6 00; bulls, \$5 25@6 50; milkers and springers, \$35 00@70 00. Calves—\$5 00@8 25. Sheep and Lambs—Mixed sheep, \$5 75@7 00; wethers, \$7 25@7 35; ewes, \$6 25@6 50; lambs, \$7 25@9 25; yearlings, \$7 75@8 00. Hogs—Heavy, \$10 00; mediums, \$10 15@10 20; Yorkers, \$10 20@10 30; pigs, \$10 25@10 50; roughs, \$9 00@9 10; stags, \$5 00@5 50.

CHICAGO—Cattle: Beever, \$5 50@5 55; Texas steers, \$5 00@5 50; western steers, \$5 10@7 25; stockers and feeders, \$4 00@5 75; rough, \$3 40@5 55; pigs, \$9 10@9 60. Sheep and Lambs—Native sheep, \$4 35@7 80; western, \$4 50@7 80; native lambs, \$7 25@9 20; western, \$7 50@9 25; yearlings, \$7 10@8 25. Hogs—Light, \$9 40@9 75; mixed, \$9 40@9 80; heavy, \$9 40@9 75; rough, \$9 40@9 55; pigs, \$9 10@9 60. Wheat—No. 2 red, \$1 13@1 14 1/2. Corn—No. 2, 62@62 1/2. Oats—No. 2, 42c.

PITTSBURGH—Cattle: Choice, \$8 50; prime, \$8 00@8 25; day butchers, \$7 15@7 50; heifers, \$6 00@7 00; cows, \$5 00@5 50. Calves—Veal, \$6 00@8 75. Sheep and Lambs—Prime wethers, \$6 75; good mixed, \$6 25@6 65; lambs, \$5 00@8 75; spring lambs, \$7 00@11 50. Hogs—Heavy hogs, \$10 30; mediums and Yorkers, \$10 35@10 40; pigs, \$10 35@10 40.

CLEVELAND—Cattle: Choice steers, \$7 00@7 50; heifers, \$5 50@6 50; fat cows, \$5 00@5 50; bulls, \$4 00@6 25; milkers and springers, \$30 00@65 00. Calves—\$8 25 down. Sheep and Lambs—Mixed sheep, \$6 00@6 50; ewes, \$6 00@6 25; best sheep, \$7 25; lambs, \$5 00@9 00. Hogs—Heavy, \$9 50; mediums, \$9 25; Yorkers, \$9 50; pigs, \$10 00; mixed, \$9 25; roughs, \$8 75; stags, \$5 00.

CINCINNATI—Wheat: No. 2 red, \$1 15@1 18. Corn—No. 2 mixed, 65 1/2@66c. Oats—No. 2 mixed, 44@44 1/2. Rye—No. 2, 82@84c. Lard—\$12 95. Bulk Meats—\$13 3 1/2. Bacon—\$14 50. Cattle—\$2 75@1 75. Sheep—\$3 75@6 15. Lambs—\$5 50@5 15. Hogs—\$5 75@9 80.

## CHURCHMEN IN HOT ARGUMENT

### Protestants Object To Changing Royal Declaration

Catholics Want It Amended—Meeting Held By London Council Of Protestant Churches To Discuss Situation, Which Is Considered Open Declaration Of War On Attempts To Tamper With King's Obligation—Papal Adherents State Their Case

London, May 12.—Although the controversy over the wording of the accession declaration is increasing with each hour, its maximum temperature has not yet been reached. The Protestant societies, the number of which is surprising, are hastily buckling on their armor, eager for the clamor and dust of the polemic lists. The "giant pope" is still to a large proportion of the professing Christians forming the societies what he was to Bunyan. The London council of United Protestant societies, representing 51 of these associations, held a special meeting today to "consider the position," which is a euphemism for declaring war on all attempts to tamper with the declaration.

That there is a considerable strain of political bias in a section of the hostile throng is shown by a letter sent to the press by the chairman of the Church Association, a society embracing the evangelical branch of the established church, in which conservatism is almost a matter of religious conviction. The chairman, assuming that John Redmond was the author of the letter to the prime minister requesting that the popery clause of the declaration be amended, makes a severe attack on the Irish leader for his alleged contempt for the constitution and hatred of the free institutions of the country.

Refers to Scottish Declaration. The secretary of the same body seems to be impressed by the mildness of the terms of the declaration. He says that in the Scottish coronation oath, in which the sovereign swears to maintain the Presbyterian confession of faith in Scotland, the affirmations concerning the pope and Romanism are much stronger than the English declaration. King George has already taken this oath, adds the secretary. The Scots are canny and insist upon the king taking their oath even before he meets the privy council.

The Church Association has already sent Mr. Asquith and every member of both houses of parliament a copy of a resolution prepared by

the association, denouncing the proposal to repress the declaration and demanding that the government "promptly reject Mr. Redmond's insidious appeal."

The Catholic Union intends to use all its influence to get the declaration reasonably amended. It holds that it would suffice if the king were to swear to protect the rights and liberties of the English church without reiterating the old-world theological argument. Moreover, said the union's secretary, the declaration is harsh in its terms, that it practically assumes that the king is not a gentleman and his word of honor is not to be regarded.

The government has not yet taken any step in the matter, and pending some definite pronouncement nothing can be said of the prospect of revising the declaration before King George is required to make it.

## SMASHES A RECORD

Cheyenne, Wyo., May 12.—Barney Oldfield, driving a 200-horsepower Benz, broke the world's record for a half mile and one mile over the circular speedway at Frontier park. Oldfield covered the half mile in 17 seconds and the mile in 35 seconds.

#### PASSENGERS LOSE LIVES?

Mississippi River Steamer Hits Snag and Sinks.

St. Louis, May 12.—The big stern-wheel steamer City of Saltville, with 27 passengers and a large freight cargo, struck a rock and sank near the Missouri bank of the Mississippi, at Glen Park, Mo. Owing to the high stage of the river the boat filled rapidly and went to the bottom. It is believed that some of the passengers were drowned in their staterooms.

## LIMA GETS CONVENTION

Columbus, O., May 12.—The Red Men of Ohio closed their great council session with the installation of the following new officers: Great sachem, L. E. Willis, Greenville; great senior sagamore, Max Levy, Cincinnati; great junior sagamore, J. Guy O'Donnell, Covington; past great sachem and great prophet, S. B. Epier, Toledo. Lima gets the next convention. The degree of Pocahontas, the woman's auxiliary, was not authorized to organize under a national charter.

#### THIS AND THAT

John H. Cathcart, mining engineer, was drowned near Helena, Mont., while engaged in stretching wires across a river.

Rajah, one of the largest elephants in captivity, went on a rampage at Berkeley, Cal., and seriously injured its keeper, Tony Lustano, before it was subdued.

## CLUB WOMEN IN SESSION

Cincinnati, O., May 12.—The Menial convention of the American Federation of Women's Clubs opened in this city before a crowd of delegates and guests that numbered close to 5,000 persons. Rev. Charles Frederick Goss of Cincinnati was the principal speaker of the evening, although Governor Judson Harmon of Ohio was present for a few moments and spoke briefly.

#### Prizefight Shifted.

San Francisco, May 12.—The Papke-Thomas fight has been shifted from Colma to this city, and the date postponed to Thursday night, May 19.

Missouri rats have developed a taste for silver, several dollars having been received by the Internal revenue collector at St. Louis which had been lost in a farmer's corncrib and which had been partly devoured by rodents.